**MIAMI VALLEY MILITARY AFFAIRS ASSOCIATION**

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

**MINUTES**

10 May 2022

The Board of Trustees of the MVMAA met Tuesday, 10 May 2022 at the City of Riveside Offices. President Rebecca Westlake called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

**Trustees in Attendance:** Rebecca Westlake, Susy Himelhoch, Steve Goeman, Sara Lommatzsch, Woody Stroud, Anthony Colussi, Candy Prystaloski, Jerry Pfeiffer, Jon Larrabee, Ralph Anderson

**DOD:** Col Charles Barkhurst, 88 ABW, Vice Commander; Col Ray Smith, 445 AW Commander

**Liaisons**: MSgt Kesha Harper, 1st Sgts Council

**Guest**: Josh Rauch, City Manager, City of Riverside

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Introductions:** Rebecca asked all attendees to introduce themselves.

**Community Chamber Spotlight:**  Josh Rauch, City of Riverside City Manager provided an update of the city’s many attributes and current projects in development. Of great interest is the Kroger redevelopment of the large space that sat empty for a very long time. He highlighted the proximity of the city to the base, the many restaurants available and the National Museum of the Air Force. He provided a handout of any upcoming event. All the chamber updates and events can be found at: <http://www.riversidechamber.com/>

**BASE COMMANDERS’ REPORTS:**

**88 ABW –** Col Barkhurst reported Air Staff rescinded the waiver requirement for events larger than 250 people, so it will be possible to hold events on base and at the NMUSAF unless there is a resurgence of COVID cases. The Chief’s Induction Ceremony will be held at the NMUSAF on Saturday, 14 May at 1800 hours. There are several leadership changes of command at the Wing. General Bunch’s retirement and Change of Command will happen on 10 June, the Wing Change of Command will be on 7 July. The Air Force Band of Flight will be performing at the Base Memorial Day event.

**445AW –** Col Smith reported that the Wing has 138 folk deployed. Fifty-five will be returning soon. He highlighted the work of MSgt Hunt, who assisted in getting four witness and twenty-nine family members out of Afghanistan to safety. He discussed the ongoing maintainance and operations tempo: 90 missions, 1,000 hours. 1400 passengers safely transported in Ukrainian support. The Wing medics continue to support multiple missions including ASTS members performing annual training at the Balboa hospital in San Diego, and a physician providing innovative medical care in Alaska. The Wing hosts tours in conjunction with the 88 ABW on the third Friday of each month. Twenty-one Bengals will be touring on 3 June and a foreign attache will tour 23-24 June.

**MVMAA Liaisons:**

**First Sergeant Council** – MSgt Harper introduced herself and updated the board on recent First Sergeant events. The council will be hosting a golf tournament in the Aug to Sep timeframe and would appreciate any support MVMAA can provide. The council has been actively supporting several Airmen with family hardships through Operation Warm Heart.

**Fisher Nightingale Houses –** Chris Stanley’s report was read by Susy Himelhoch. She reported The occupa ncy for WPAFB and DVAMC was 52 families in March. WPAFB FHI is still under renovation and completion date slipped to June. When the renovations are complete, volunteers will be needed to help move stored items from FHII back to FHI. The furniture and other household items that are stored off base will be moved by a moving company. When WPAFB went to HPCON Alpha on 18 April, normal operations at the FHs resumed with the exception of continued mask wear and ongoing sanitation to protect vulnerable guests and staff. The living room is open but the family room is limited depending on how many people are in the house—it is right next to the kitchen. They are working to get volunteers back too. Fisher House continues to pay for guests that are lodged in billeting or the Hope Hotel. Three guests, $1,008 expense since the March meeting.

**USO –** Erik Oberg was unable to attend.

**President’s Remarks**

**CHAMBER REPORTS:**

Rebecca thanked all the chamber representatives for the continuing support they provide the MVMAA. Board members should go to the various Chamber websites for up-to-date activities and schedules.

**Beavercreek** (Wendy Rodgers) <https://beavercreekchamber.org/>

**Bellbrook** (Holly Beard) <http://bellbrooksugarcreekchamber.org/>

**Dayton (**Woody Stroud) [www.daytonchamber.org/](http://www.daytonchamber.org/) Present

**Fairborn** (Lee Henrich) <http://fairborn.com/>

**Huber Heights** (Mark Bruns) <http://huberheightschamber.com/>

**Kettering/Moraine/Oakwood** *(*Anthony Colussi) <http://www.kmo-coc.org/> Present

**Lewisburg (**Dennis Roberts) <https://lewisburgchamber.com>

**Northmont** (Angela Clifford) <http://northmontchamber.com/>

**Riverside** (Sara Lommatsch) <http://www.riversiechamber.com/> Present

**South Metro** (Dwayne Adams) <http://www.smrcoc.org/>

**Springfield** (Bernie Willis) <http://www.greaterspringfield.com/>

**Spring Valley** (Judy Madden) [www.springvalleyoh.com](http://www.springvalleyoh.com))

**Trotwood** (Marie Battle) <http://trotwoodchamber.org/>

**Vandalia-Butler** (Will Roberts) <https://vandaliabutlerchamber.org/>

**Waynesville** (Rick Whitaker) [www.waynesvilleohio.com/](http://www.waynesvilleohio.com/)

**Xenia** (Steve Brodsky) <http://www.xacc.com/>

**Yellow Springs** (Alexandra Scott) <http://www.yellowspringsohio.org/>

**President’s Remarks**

1. Rebecca thanked Sara and the City of Riverside for hosting the meeting.
2. Rebecca mentioned this year’s meetings will continue to be held bi-monthly in locations throughout our community: July will be a Meet ‘n Greet, (with business meeting preceding it) on base with details will follow in the invitation; September location tbd; November Annual Meeting location tbd.
3. Cassie Barlow and Toni Overholser were voted the members of the year and will be acknowledged at the Presidents Club Breakfast on 12 May.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**ASSOCIATION SPECIAL EVENTS:**  Navy Week will be held 24 July at the Dublin Pub. Candy reported 20% down ($1500.00) is needed as soon as possible. Steve provided the check for the deposit. The event is NOT shared with local media so the attendees can relax and be off camera for the evening.

**GOLF OUTING:** Jerry Pfeifer reported the rain date for the outing is 20 May. The change to the rain date affected some of the teams. There are 26 teams, with 6 teams unknown whether the change will affect them. There will be a buffet luncheon. The golf committee is ready for the event.

**MARKETING/COMMUNICATION:**  Ralph Anderson reported they continue working on updating MVMAA’s website and are developing a how-to guide.

**MEMBERSHIP:** Susi Himelhoch reported for Cassie Barlow: 81 annual, 14 lifetime, 3 corporate, 8 5-year, 17 charter, 12 honorary.

**MILITARY/FAMILY OUTREACH**: No report

**MVMAA FOUNDATION:** Steve Goeman reported there is $16,400.20 in the Foundation account.

**NOMINATING:** No report

**SOCIAL MEDIA:** No report.

**BUSINESS MEETING**

**Approval of 8 March 2022 Meeting Minutes: *MOTION TO APPROVE****: Rebecca Westlake, Woody Stroud, Second. MOTION PASSED.*

**FINANCE:** Steve Goeman referenced the April and May Treasurer’s Reports: $54,000.00 in the checking account (this includes the Golf Outing monies), He noted MVMAA supported a request from Top 3 and AFSA. ***MOTION TO APPROVE*** *1 May Treasurer Report: Lin Stokes-Crowe moved to accept; Sara Lommatzsch seconded. Report was approved as presented.*

**BYLAWS DISCUSSION AND VOTE:** Rebecca noted the proposed Bylaws changes and the accompanying details were sent out to the authorized voting board members for review. She asked if there was any discussion regarding the proposed changes. She called for a vote of the Board of Trustees voting members. The members approve of the changes and recommend approval to the membership. The PAID members will have .30 days to review

The next meeting will be **12 July 2022,** and will begin with a business meeting at **1800 hours,** followed by a Meet n Greet. The events chair and base are working to identify an on-base venue for the event.

Being that there was no further business, at 1903 hours, 7:03 p.m., Rebecca Westlake adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda A. Stokes-Crowe

MVMAA’s Secretary)